

# Plans for Fall 2021

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## Return to School for Fall 2021

### Focus of our plan remains:

- Maximizing safety of students and staff during a global pandemic
- Providing robust, meaningful face-to-face instruction for all students



**Face-to-face instruction:** GPPSS will offer full time, face-to-face instruction for all grade levels beginning the first day of school. There will not be separate cohorts or OneGP Virtual.



**Masking in school buildings:** Masks are strongly recommended inside all school buildings at all grade levels, especially for unvaccinated individuals. At this time, mask use is not mandatory. GPPSS is prepared to adjust and may need to reinstate mandatory masking in school buildings, depending upon local COVID-19 infection rates.



**Physical Distancing:** To the greatest extent possible, all classrooms and lunchrooms will be set up to provide 3 feet of distance between students' stationary seating. Outdoor lunch will be encouraged when weather permits. Classrooms will be organized according to teacher preference based on what is best for their particular room/subject matter.



**Desk & Face Shields:** GPPSS will not require desk shields to be used inside district buildings during class or lunchtime. Desk shields and face shields will be available upon request.



**Lockers:** GPPSS students will have access to lockers throughout the school day. Information on locker assignments will be provided at registration.



**Visitors & Volunteers:** Visitors and volunteers will be permitted inside school buildings. All visitors must enter through the office and follow building protocols for check-in. Guidelines for visitors will adjust with CDC level. Masks are required for unvaccinated visitors.



Cleaning, Hygiene & Ventilation: GPPSS will continue to follow strict and thorough cleaning procedures in all district buildings. Regular hand washing is encouraged and hand sanitizer will be easily accessible to students and staff. Our ventilation systems have been updated and will continue to be maintained and run for optimal air quality. GPPSS will require individual air purifiers in classrooms with groups of students regularly assigned and filters will be changed as needed.



**Daily Health Screening:** GPPSS strongly recommends each student is <u>screened</u> at home before coming to school. Any student who displays symptoms will be sent home immediately. We ask all families to please keep your student home if they show any signs of illness.



Busing: Masks on buses are required by the CDC and will be provided if needed.



**Contact Tracing/Reporting:** Schools are required to report communicable diseases to their local health department within 24 hours. Positive or probable COVID-19 cases will be reported to the WCHD. When there is a positive or probable case within a classroom, an exposure letter will be sent home to parent(s) or guardian(s).



**COVID-19 Testing:** GPPSS has never required COVID-19 testing for our students and will not require it for the 2021-2022 school year. In addition, MHSAA has lifted all requirements for student-athlete testing as of June 22, 2021. GPPSS is exploring opportunities to provide **voluntary** testing for unvaccinated individuals.



**COVID-19 Vaccination:** GPPSS strongly recommends all eligible students and staff receive the COVID-19 vaccine. At this time, MDHHS does not require the COVID-19 vaccine. WCHD has offered to provide boosters to staff when available. GPPSS is exploring being a site for **voluntary** vaccination clinics with healthcare partners.

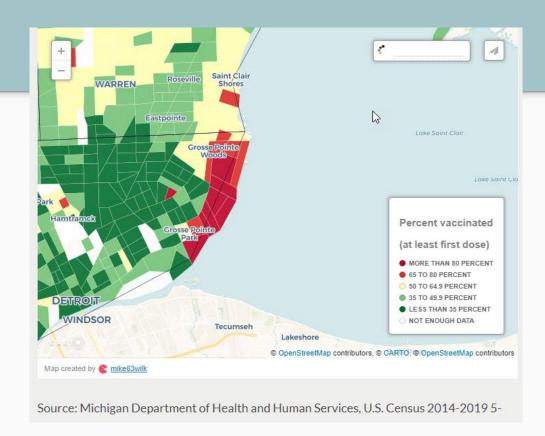
All information is current as of August 23, 2021. All protocols are subject to change based on local COVID-19 infection rates and any federal/state/county mandates.

The administration team will continue to review local COVID data. If needed, administration will provide an updated mitigation plan the week before school starts as the next board meeting is not until September 13.

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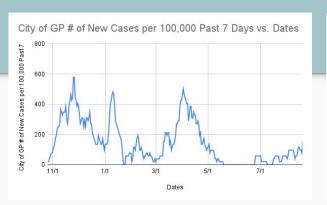
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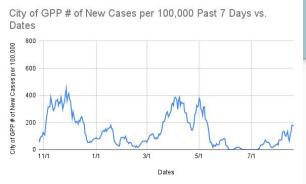


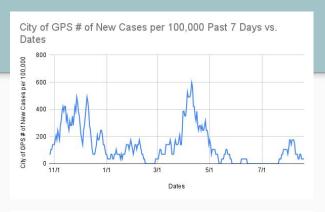
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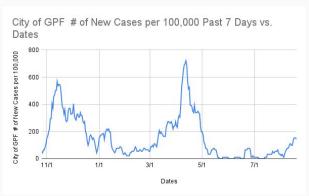
- Local vaccination data
- Guidance from health organizations [CDC, American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), Wayne County Health Department (WCHD)] on how to best ensure a safe school setting
- 3. Various levels of COVID mitigation implemented by peer districts and neighbor institutions (schools, hospitals, libraries)
- 4. Official CDC COVID data at the county level
- 5. 14 day average of COVID cases for the six GPPSS municipalities
- 6. Seven day average of COVID cases per 100,000 residents for the six GPPSS municipalities (next slide)

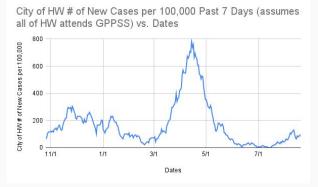
# Local Data: 7 Day Per 100K from WCHD

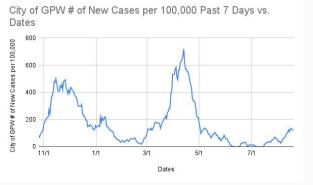












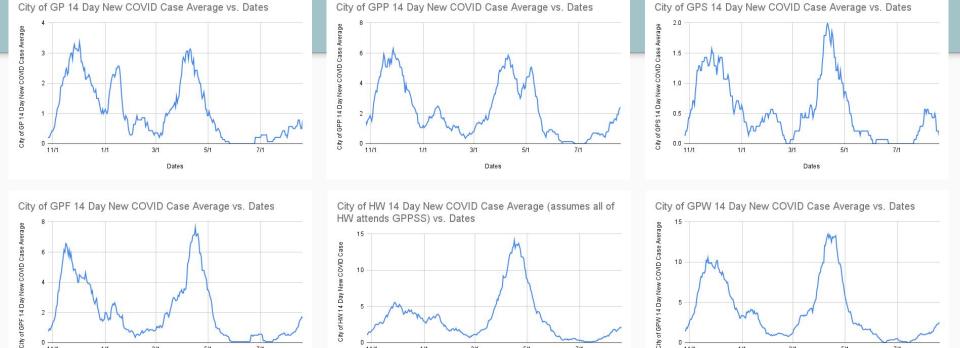
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# Helpful Links

#### Grosse Pointe Public School System Covid-19 Information

CDC COVID-19 Data Tracker

MDHHS COVID-19 Resources

MHSAA Health & Safety Information

MiOSHA Homepage

WCHD COVID-19 Resources

CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

**MDHHS** - Michigan Department of Health and Human Services

MiOSHA - Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Admin.

MHSAA - Michigan High School Athletic Association

**WCHD** - Wayne County Health Department